

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraphs at page 2, para. [0006] and page 7, para. [0021], respectively, as follows:

[0006] One approach to overcoming the shortcomings of the prior art is disclosed in commonly assigned and co-pending ~~U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/392,522 filed on Mar. 20, 2003,~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,857,512, entitled "Selectively Rotatable Handle Assembly for Towable Luggage," which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. One of the objects of the present invention is to overcome the aforementioned problems and deficiencies and to provide further improvements to the invention disclosed in ~~application Ser. No. 10/392,522~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,857,512.

[0021] As shown in FIG. 5 and as further described in ~~U.S. application Ser. No. 10/392,522~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,857,512, the specification of which has been incorporated by reference in its entirety herein above, the towing arrangement may also include a collar assembly 140. The collar assembly 140 may include a collar 142 slidably mounted on a base portion of the handle 14 for movement in the direction of the axis of elongation of the tubular member 16 between a first axial position, at which the collar 142 is located on the handle side of a dividing line 144 between the handle 14 and the tubular member 16 and permits rotation of the handle 14 relative to the tubular member 16, and a second axial position, at which the collar overlies the dividing line 144 and prevents rotation of the handle 14 relative to the tubular member 16.